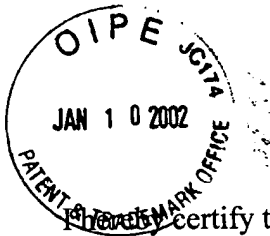


Corres. and Mail

BOX AF

AF/1600



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1630

PATENT

I hereby certify that on the date specified below, this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to Box AF, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

November 21, 2001

Date

*Carol Williams*

Carol Williams

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Dong Wei et al.  
Application No. : 09/544,776  
Filed : April 7, 2000  
For : NOVEL PROTEIN ASSOCIATED WITH CELL STRESS  
RESPONSE

Examiner : Jane Zara  
Art Unit : 1635  
Docket No. : PP-01561.003 / 200130.471  
Date : November 21, 2001

Box AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 11-22, 26 and 27.

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

JAN 14 2002

RECEIVED

#13/K.T.  
1/18  
(N.E.)

Please  
enter  
10/23/02  
g-z.